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COUNTY TO MOVE VALLEY CENTER OAKS *Tree Relocation Part of Road Widening Project*

In order to save them, County contractors will begin moving 30 oak trees along Valley Center Road next week during a major road-widening project. "Our purpose in moving these trees is to preserve as much of the natural beauty of the community as possible," said Project Manager Brendan McNabb.

Horizon Tree Transplanting is the County's contractor. They will move trees in one of two ways: boxed or mechanical spade. Trees to be boxed have had the sides of the box inserted into the ground following root pruning and then will be moved in the box after two to three months. Spaded trees have had the roots pruned and have been left to recover in the ground for two to three months.

Trees will be relocated to a safe area outside the widened road near where they were removed. The relocation project should be complete by the end of June.

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